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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

12 Plaintiff,

13 vs.

14 JOSE OROPEZA,

15 Defendant.
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Case No. 1:23-cr-00033-NODJ-BAM-3

STIPULATION TO VACATE STATUS
CONFERENCE, TRIAL CONFIRMATION,
AND TRIAL DATE, AND TO SET CHANGE
OF PLEA HEARING; AND ORDER

17 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by and between the parties through their respective
18 counsel, Assistant United States Attorney Antonio Pataca, counsel for plaintiff, and Assistant
19 Federal Defender Reed Grantham, counsel for Jose Oropeza, that, as to Mr. Oropeza, the status
20 conference currently scheduled for May 28, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., the trial confirmation currently
21 scheduled for September 15, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., and the trial currently scheduled for September
22 30, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. may be vacated and a change of plea hearing be set for March 24, 2025, at
23 9:00 a.m.

24 The parties have executed a plea agreement in this matter, and, as a result, the parties are
25 requesting to vacate the scheduled status conference, trial confirmation, and trial date as to Mr.
26 Oropeza, and to set a change of plea hearing for Mr. Oropeza on March 24, 2025. This request is
27 made with the intention of conserving time and resources for both the parties and the Court. The
28 government is in agreement with this request and the requested date is a mutually agreeable date

1 for both parties. The parties stipulate that for the purpose of computing time under the Speedy
2 Trial Act, the Court should exclude time from the date of this order through March 24, 2025,
3 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B)(iv). The parties agree that the ends of justice are
4 served by setting this change of plea hearing outweigh the best interest of the public and the
5 defendant in a speedy trial.

6 Respectfully submitted,

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8 HEATHER E. WILLIAMS
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9 Date: February 7, 2025

10 /s/ Reed Grantham
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15 Date: February 7, 2025

16 /s/ Antonio Pataca
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Assistant United States Attorney
Attorney for Plaintiff

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED that the jury trial set for September 30, 2025, trial confirmation set for September 15, 2025, and status conference set for May 28, 2025, is hereby vacated as to defendant Jose Oropeza. A change of plea hearing is set for **March 24, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in Courtroom 5 before the District Court Judge.** Time is excluded pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B)(i) and (iv).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **February 7, 2025**

/s/ *Barbara A. McAuliffe*
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE